

Amendments to the specifications:

Please replace paragraph [0031] beginning on line 13 on page 10 with the following replacement paragraph:

[0031] The head bottom **8** is generally not longer in length than the length of the gusset top **7**. The first mortise end **9** connects the head bottom **8** to the gusset top **7**. The first mortise **4** further comprises a first mortise corner **12** and a second mortise corner **13**. The first mortise corner **12** is located at the junction of the head bottom **8** and the first mortise end **9**. The second mortise corner **13** is located at the junction of the first mortise end **9** and the gusset top **7**. Either one or both of the mortise corners **12, 13** can be square-edged. Further, as illustrated by first member **1A** in Figure 8A, either one of both of the mortise corners **12A, 13A** can be rounded.